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European Search Report dated June 3, 2002 in related European application.

An English language abstract of Japanese patent publication no. 10-121203 previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement in this application is submitted herewith.

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All of the documents identified on the accompanying PTO-1449 form are mentioned in the European Search Report dated June 3, 2002, a copy of which is

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English language translations of the non-English language documents submitted herewith are not available to Applicant's attorney.

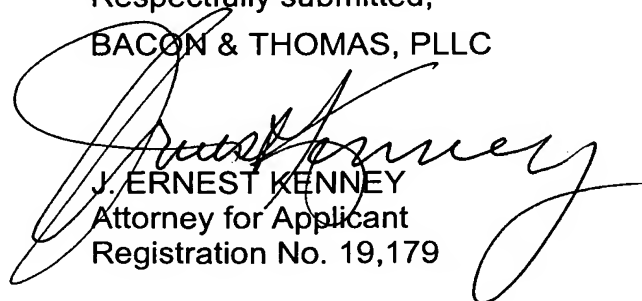
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